



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicant(s): Vogelsang et al.  
Serial No.: 10/576,865  
For: METHOD FOR OPTIMIZING THE UTILIZATION RATIO IN A DRIVE UNIT AND DRIVE UNIT  
Filed: April 21, 2006  
Examiner: Douglas J. DUFF  
Art Unit: 3748  
Confirmation No.: 1091  
Customer No.: 27,623 Attorney Docket No.: WW034USU

**Mail Stop Amendment  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

We are enclosing an Amendment in response to the communication dated October 12, 2007 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$\_\_\_\_\_ to extend the time for filing this response until \_\_\_\_\_.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

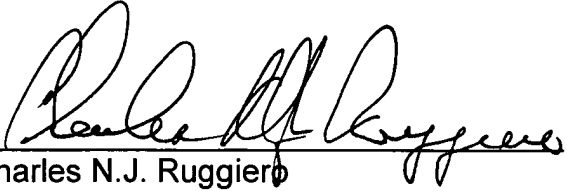
CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	14	Minus	20	0	x \$50.00	\$
Independent Claims	3	Minus	3	0	x \$210.00	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				x \$370.00 = \$		
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES				\$0.00		
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY				\$N/A		

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ 0.00 .

       A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

January 11, 2008  
Date

  
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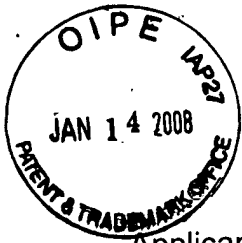
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 12, 2007, hereinafter "the Office Action", Applicants respectfully submit the following response.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.